Module Catalogue
for the Subject
Theological Studies
as a Master’s with 1 major
with the degree "Master of Arts"
(120 ECTS credits)

Examination regulations version: 2016
Responsible: Faculty of Catholic Theology
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Content and Objectives of the Programme

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Abbreviations used

Course types: \(E\) = field trip, \(K\) = colloquium, \(O\) = conversatorium, \(P\) = placement/lab course, \(R\) = project, \(S\) = seminar, \(T\) = tutorial, \(Ü\) = exercise, \(V\) = lecture

Term: \(SS\) = summer semester, \(WS\) = winter semester

Methods of grading: \(\text{NUM}\) = numerical grade, \(B/NB\) = (not) successfully completed

Regulations: \(\text{(L)ASPO}\) = general academic and examination regulations (for teaching-degree programmes), \(\text{FSB}\) = subject-specific provisions, \(\text{SFB}\) = list of modules

Other: \(A\) = thesis, \(LV\) = course(s), \(PL\) = assessment(s), \(TN\) = participants, \(VL\) = prerequisite(s)

Conventions

Unless otherwise stated, courses and assessments will be held in German, assessments will be offered every semester and modules are not creditable for bonus.

Notes

Should there be the option to choose between several methods of assessment, the lecturer will agree with the module coordinator on the method of assessment to be used in the current semester by two weeks after the start of the course at the latest and will communicate this in the customary manner.

Should the module comprise more than one graded assessment, all assessments will be equally weighted, unless otherwise stated below.

Should the assessment comprise several individual assessments, successful completion of the module will require successful completion of all individual assessments.

In accordance with

the general regulations governing the degree subject described in this module catalogue:

\(\text{ASPO2015}\)

associated official publications (FSB (subject-specific provisions)/SFB (list of modules)):

\(1\text{-Jun-2016 (2016-81)}\)

This module handbook seeks to render, as accurately as possible, the data that is of statutory relevance according to the examination regulations of the degree subject. However, only the FSB (subject-specific provisions) and SFB (list of modules) in their officially published versions shall be legally binding. In the case of doubt, the provisions on, in particular, module assessments specified in the FSB/SFB shall prevail.
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**Contents**

Detailed study of Old Testament themes and texts. Discussion of topics in literary studies, the history of religion as well as theology.

**Intended learning outcomes**

At the end of the course, students will have become familiar with key Old Testament themes and texts. They will have developed an awareness of the historical development and religious historical context of those Old Testament texts. Students will be able to use exegetical methods and critically reflect upon topical issues relating to the Bible.

**Courses**

(type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)

V (2) + V (1) + V (1)

**Method of assessment**

(type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module is creditable for bonus)

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**Allocation of places**

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### Abbreviation
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Deeper insights into New Testament themes and texts. Discussion of topics in literary studies, the history of religion as well as theology.

### Intended learning outcomes
At the end of the course, students will have become familiar with key New Testament themes and texts. They will have developed an awareness of the historical development and religious historical context of those New Testament texts. Students will be able to use exegetical methods and critically reflect upon topical issues relating to the Bible.

### Courses
(type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)

V (2) + Ü (2)

### Method of assessment
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holder of the Chair of Early Church History, Christian Archaeology and Patrology

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Advanced topics and current problems in early church history. Development of skills to independently review sources.

**Intended learning outcomes**
At the end of the course, students will have become familiar with advanced topics and current problems in the subject of Early Church. They will have developed the ability to independently review sources.

**Courses**
(type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)

V (2) + Ü (2)

**Method of assessment**
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### Intended learning outcomes

At the end of the course, students will have become familiar with advanced topics and current problems in medieval and modern church history. They will have developed the ability to independently review sources.

### Courses

(type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)

V (2) + Ü (2)

### Method of assessment

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### Contents
Deeper insights into relevant topics in fundamental theology and their philosophical and religious contexts. An insight into current debate and research in the field.

### Intended learning outcomes
At the end of the course, students will have become familiar with advanced topics and current problems in fundamental theology as well as their philosophical and religious contexts. They will be able to make informed contributions to topical debates.

### Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)
V (2) + Ü (1)

### Method of assessment (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module is creditable for bonus)
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Module title: Special Subject in Dogmatics
Abbreviation: 01-MA-ThSt-VDogm-162-m01

Module coordinator: holder of the Chair of Dogmatic
Module offered by: Faculty of Catholic Theology

ECTS: 5
Method of grading: numerical grade
Only after succ. compl. of module(s): --

Duration: 1 semester
Module level: graduate
Other prerequisites: --

Contents:
This module provides students with deeper insights into topics in dogmatics and relevant sources in scripture, tradition, and magisterium. In addition, it familiarises them with the current state of the debate on those topics.

Intended learning outcomes:
At the end of the course, students will have gained deeper insights into relevant topics in dogmatics as well as relevant sources in scripture, tradition, and magisterium. They will have become familiar with the current state of the debate in the field.

Courses:
(type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)
V (3)

Method of assessment:
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**Module coordinator**
holder of the Chair of Moral Theology

**Module offered by**
Faculty of Catholic Theology

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**Contents**
Deeper insights into general as well as specialised topics in theological ethics.

**Intended learning outcomes**
At the end of the course, students will have become familiar with advanced topics and current problems in moral theology. They will have a grounding in the discipline and its methods that will enable them to evaluate issues through the lens of moral theology.

**Courses**
(type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)

V (2) + V (2)

**Method of assessment**
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**Module coordinator**
holder of the Chair of Christian Social Ethics

**Module offered by**
Faculty of Catholic Theology

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**Contents**
In-depth insights into topics and methods in social ethics.

**Intended learning outcomes**
At the end of the course, students will have become familiar with topics in, and aspects of, Christian social sciences. They will have a grounding in the discipline and its methods that will enable them to evaluate issues through the lens of social ethics.

**Courses**
(type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)

V (2) + Ü (2)

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Discussion of the context in which religious education is carried out today, taking cultural and religious aspects into consideration. Investigation of ways to deal with pluralism in religious education and exploration of aspects of learning processes in religious education.

### Intended learning outcomes

At the end of the course, students will have become familiar with the context in which religious education is carried out today. They will also be familiar with ways to deal with pluralism in religious education and will have the necessary theoretical background to be able to encourage learning processes in religious education.

### Courses

(type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)

V (2) + Ü (2)

### Method of assessment

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This module focuses on the investigation of the Christian community. It aims to extend and consolidate what students have learned earlier about building up congregations. The section on homiletics discusses the communicative aspect of preaching in theory and practice.

**Intended learning outcomes**

At the end of the course students will have gained deeper insights into the distinguishing characteristics of the Christian community. They will have developed the ability to analyse and build up congregations as well as to understand them in their context. In addition, students will have developed an awareness of the communicative aspect of preaching and will have gained proficiency in preaching.

**Courses** (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)

V (2) + Ü (3)

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**Module coordinator**

holder of the Chair of Canon Law  
Faculty of Catholic Theology

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**Duration**

2 semester graduate

**Contents**

Detailed discussion of selected topics in canon law (e.g. matrimonial law of the Church, the sanctifying function of the Church).

**Intended learning outcomes**

At the end of the course, students will have become familiar with the regulations that govern the basic functions of the Church. They will have developed the ability to reflect upon, and find appropriate solutions to, current problems in areas such as pastoral care based on what they have learned.

**Courses**

(type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)

V (1) + V (1) + V (2)

**Method of assessment**

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Detailed discussion of selected topics in liturgy (e. g. sacramentals, the liturgical year, the Liturgy of the Hours).

**Intended learning outcomes**

At the end of the course, students will have gained a comprehensive overview of liturgy in the Catholic Church in an ecumenical and cultural context and will be able to reflect upon liturgical celebration from the points of view of anthropology and theology.

**Courses** (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)

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**Method of assessment** (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module is creditable for bonus)

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**Allocation of places**

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Special Subject in Philosophy | 01-MA-ThSt-VPhil-162-m01

Module coordinator | Module offered by
holder of the Professorship of Philosophy | Faculty of Catholic Theology

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Detailed discussion of problems in philosophy and methods for their solution.

Intended learning outcomes
At the end of the course, students will have become familiar with some of the philosophical positions on God-talk. They will also be familiar with the outlines of the history of the dialogue between philosophy and theology and will be able to make informed contributions to topical debates.

Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)
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Compulsory Electives

(25 ECTS credits)
Compulsory Electives 1
(20 ECTS credits)

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**Module coordinator**
Managing Director of the Institute of Biblical Studies

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**Duration**
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**Module level**
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**Other prerequisites**
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**Contents**
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**Intended learning outcomes**
At the end of the module, students will have developed the ability to approach selected topics in biblical theology, using scholarly methods, and to present their findings in an appropriate manner. They will be able to help create a classroom atmosphere that encourages all students to actively participate in the generation and use of knowledge.

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**Allocation of places**
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### Duration
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### Module level
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### Other prerequisites

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Module coordinator | Module offered by
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Intended learning outcomes
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Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)
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**Courses** (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)

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Module title | Abbreviation
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Seminar in Systematic Theology 2 | 01-MA-ThSt-SSTh2-162-m01

Module coordinator
Managing Director of the Institute for Systematic Theology

Module offered by
Faculty of Catholic Theology

ECTS | Method of grading | Other prerequisites
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5 | numerical grade | --

Duration | Module level
1 semester | graduate

Contents
Seminar to give students the opportunity to investigate or explore in more detail selected topics in systematic theology, using scholarly methods. Students will be expected to be active participants in the course.

Intended learning outcomes
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Module title | Abbreviation
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Seminar in Practical Theology 1 | 01-MA-ThSt-SPTh1-162-m01

Module coordinator | Module offered by
Managing Director of the Institute of Practical Theology | Faculty of Catholic Theology

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Duration | Module level
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Intended learning outcomes
At the end of the module, students will have developed the ability to approach selected topics in practical theology, using scholarly methods, and to present their findings in an appropriate manner. They will be able to help create a classroom atmosphere that encourages all students to actively participate in the generation and use of knowledge.

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Compulsory Electives 2
(5 ECTS credits)

Students must take one out of the following 17 (subject) modules in the area of mandatory electives 2 (Spezialisierung/Specialisation):
1. Altes Testament (= AT; Old Testament)
2. Neues Testament (= NT; New Testament)
3. Geschichte und Theologie des Judentums (= GThJT; History and Theology of Judaism)
4. Alte Kirchengeschichte (= AKG; Early Church History)
5. Mittlere und Neuere Kirchengeschichte (= MNKG; Medieval and Modern Church History)
6. Fränkische Kirchengeschichte (= FKG; Franconian Church History)
7. Ostkirchengeschichte und Ökumenische Theologie (= OKG; Eastern Church History and Ecumenical Theology)
8. Dogmatik (= Dogm; Dogmatics)
9. Fundamentaltheologie und vergleichende Religionswissenschaft (= Fund; Fundamental Theology
and Comparative Religious Studies)
10. Philosophie (= Phil; Philosophy)
11. Moraltheologie (= Moral; Moral Theology)
12. Christliche Sozialwissenschaft (= CSW; Christian Social Sciences)
13. Liturgiewissenschaft (= Lit; Liturgy)
14. Pastoraltheologie (= Past; Pastoral Theology)
15. Religionspädagogik (= RP; Religious Education)
16. Kirchenrecht (= KR; Canon Law)
17. Missionswissenschaft und Dialog der Religionen (= Miss; Missiology and Dialogue of Religions)
## Module title

Specialization in Old Testament

## Abbreviation

01-MA-ThSt-SpAT-162-m01

## Module coordinator

holder of the Chair of Old Testament

## Module offered by

Faculty of Catholic Theology

## ECTS

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## Method of grading

numerical grade

## Only after succ. compl. of module(s)

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## Duration

1 semester

## Module level

graduate

## Other prerequisites

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Exploring selected Old Testament themes and texts, this module provides students seeking specialisation in Old Testament with deeper insights into relevant topics in literary studies, the history of religion, and theology and teaches them exegetical and hermeneutic methods that will enable them to independently investigate issues, adhering to the principles of good scholarly practice.

## Intended learning outcomes

At the end of the course, students will have developed the ability to interpret Old Testament texts exegetically. They will have a good grounding in the discipline and its methods that will enable them to independently investigate issues. They will have become familiar with the historical, religious, and cultural contexts of the Old Testament texts explored in this course and will be able to interpret them in those contexts.

## Courses

(type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)

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## Method of assessment

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## Module title

Specialization in New Testament

### Abbreviation

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### Module coordinator

holder of the Chair of New Testament

### Module offered by

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### Duration

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### Module level

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### Contents

This module provides students seeking specialisation in New Testament with deeper insights into the main theological themes of the books of the New Testament as well as into problems and methods in New Testament exegesis.

### Intended learning outcomes

At the end of the course, students will have become familiar with topics in, and aspects of, New Testament exegesis and theology. They will have developed advanced knowledge and skills in the area of New Testament theology. Students will be able to group the books of the New Testament by themes and to interpret them on the basis of specific criteria. They will be able to investigate topics and use methods in New Testament studies.

### Courses

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Deeper insights into the history and history of religion of Israel, including but not limited to the history of Hellenistic Judaism, for students seeking specialisation in Jewish history and theology.

**Intended learning outcomes**

At the end of the course, students will have become familiar with the developments in the history and history of religion of Israel that led up to the rabbinic period of Judaism in the early centuries AD.

**Courses** (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)

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A research-based course to provide students seeking specialisation in the subject of Early Church with insights into selected topics and current problems in early church history. Development of skills to independently review sources.

**Intended learning outcomes**

At the end of the course, students will have developed the ability to investigate topics and current problems in early church history. They will be able to independently review sources and share their findings with the research community.

**Courses**

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A research-based course to provide students seeking specialisation in the subject of medieval and modern church history with insights into selected topics and current problems in medieval and modern church history. Development of skills to independently review sources.

### Intended learning outcomes

At the end of the course, students will have developed the ability to investigate topics and current problems in medieval and modern church history. They will be able to independently review sources and share their findings with the research community.

### Courses

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**Contents**

An introduction to advanced topics and current problems in Franconian church history for students seeking specialisation in Franconian church history. Development of skills to independently review sources.

**Intended learning outcomes**

At the end of the course, students will have become familiar with advanced topics and current problems in Franconian church history. They will have developed the ability to independently review sources.

**Courses** (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)

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**Method of assessment** (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module is creditable for bonus)

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This module provides students seeking specialisation in eastern church history and ecumenical theology with deeper insights into advanced topics in eastern churches and problems in ecumenical theology than regular courses.

**Intended learning outcomes**

At the end of the course, students will have developed knowledge in the area of eastern churches and will be able to look at problems in ecumenical theology, including but not limited to issues relating to eastern churches, through a comparative lens.

**Courses** (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)

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**Method of assessment** (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module is creditable for bonus)

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Module title: Specialization in Dogmatics

Abbreviation: 01-MA-ThSt-SpDogm-162-m01

Module coordinator: holder of the Chair of Dogmatic

Module offered by: Faculty of Catholic Theology

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Duration: 1 semester

Module level: graduate

Other prerequisites: --

Contents:

This module provides students seeking specialisation in dogmatics with deeper insights into topics in dogmatics and relevant sources in scripture, tradition, and magisterium. In addition, it familiarises students with the current state of the debate in systematic theology.

Intended learning outcomes:

At the end of the course, students will have become familiar with advanced topics and aspects of methods in dogmatics, developments in the history of dogma as well as the tradition of the magisterium of the Church. In addition, they will have developed the ability to justify the importance of faith based on biblical foundations in connection with debates in theology and dogmatic decisions. They will be able to systematically reflect upon aspects relating to the Christian doctrine and to interrelate them with current problems.

Courses:

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**Contents**

An opportunity for students seeking specialisation in the subject of fundamental theology and comparative religious studies to gain deeper insights into the discussion of the question about God (denying and affirming the existence of God), the revelation (including the characterisation of the person of Jesus Christ), ecclesiology (from an ecumenical point of view) as well as theological epistemology.

**Intended learning outcomes**

At the end of the course, students will have become familiar with the three traditional divisions of fundamental theology (religion including atheist criticism of religion, revelation, church) as well as with the fundamental principles of theological epistemology (including the history and self-understanding of fundamental theology).

**Courses**

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An opportunity for students seeking specialisation in philosophy to explore topics in philosophy in detail. An insight into how philosophy serves theology and an understanding of how research processes in philosophy differ from research processes in theology.

### Intended learning outcomes

At the end of the course, students will have become familiar with key problems in philosophy and approaches to their solution. They will have developed the ability to interrelate philosophy with theology and will have become familiar with different philosophies of science.

### Courses

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### Method of assessment

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An opportunity for students seeking specialisation in moral theology to gain an insight into fundamental topics in theological ethics (e.g. biblical ethics, conscience, models for the constitution and justification of norms, freedom, guilt and sin, faith and action) as well as selected topics with regard to individual and social responsibility (e.g. problems in medical ethics or sexual and relational ethics).

**Intended learning outcomes**

At the end of the course, students will have become familiar with advanced topics and current problems in moral theology. They will also be familiar with the principles of argumentation in theological ethics and will have gained an insight into how models of justification in theological ethics are applied to specific problems of responsibility. They will be able to critically reflect upon issues currently faced by society and take their own well-founded position on them.

**Courses**

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**Contents**

A thorough insight into topics and methods in modern social ethics, its models and underlying assumptions for students seeking specialisation in Christian social sciences. A comprehensive introduction to the broad area of human institutional behaviour in politics, the economy, and other forms of social cooperation.

**Intended learning outcomes**

At the end of the course, students will have become familiar with topics in, and aspects of, Christian social sciences. They will have developed the ability to engage in critical scholarly reflection on human behaviour in the world as a form of socio-political responsibility. They will have developed an understanding of how the socio-historical developments of human institutions in cultural systems underlie the present situation. Based on this understanding, students will be able to analyse issues in social ethics, using an ethical hermeneutics.

**Courses** (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)

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Deeper insights into selected topics in liturgy for students seeking specialisation in liturgy.

**Intended learning outcomes**
At the end of the course, students will have become familiar with selected topics in liturgy. They will be able to identify problems in liturgy and reflect upon their own practice.

**Courses**
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**Method of assessment**
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**Intended learning outcomes**

At the end of the course, students will have become familiar with advanced topics and current problems in pastoral theology; they will be able to critically reflect upon topics and problems in theology and upon their own practice.

**Courses** (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)

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Specialisation in religious education. Discussion of approaches to teaching and learning in religious education in a society that is both religiously plural and secular. Investigation of religion and the content of religious education in the context of personal, institutional, and situational conditions. Designing learning processes: incorporation of the students' knowledge in the areas of theology, education, and psychology as well as reflection on the objectives of religious education. Discussion of the development of knowledge from a methodological point of view in the context of religious education as an empirically-oriented discipline.

Intended learning outcomes

At the end of the course, students will have become familiar with essential concepts for the planning of teaching and learning processes. They will have developed an awareness of the complexity of learning processes. They will be able to reflect upon, and justify, learning in religious education in the context of pluralism. They will be able to understand findings from empirical research and will have a grounding in methods of empirical research.

Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)

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Method of assessment (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module is creditable for bonus)

a) written examination (approx. 90 minutes) or b) oral examination of one candidate each (approx. 20 minutes) or c) portfolio (3 to 5 assessments, approx. 30 hours total)

Allocation of places

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Additional information

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### Module title
Specialization in Canon Law

### Abbreviation
01-MA-ThSt-SpKR-162-m01

### Module coordinator
holder of the Chair of Canon Law

### Module offered by
Faculty of Catholic Theology

### ECTS
5

### Method of grading
Numerical grade

### Only after succ. compl. of module(s)
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### Duration
1 semester

### Module level
graduate

### Other prerequisites
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### Contents
Insights into key topics in the constitution and activities of the Church for students seeking specialisation in canon law. Discussion of the relevant norms of canon law and (where applicable) the law regulating the relationship between Church and state (Staatskirchenrecht) as well as the understanding and practical application of those norms in the context of the hermeneutics of canon law.

### Intended learning outcomes
At the end of the course, students will have become familiar with fundamental topics and methods in canon law. They will have developed the ability to analyse current problems relating to classroom or pastoral practice and find appropriate and legally justifiable solutions to them.

### Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)
V (2) + Ü (2)

### Method of assessment (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module is creditable for bonus)
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### Allocation of places
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### Additional information
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Specialization in Missiology and Dialog of Religions

Abbreviation: 01-MA-ThSt-SpMiss-162-m01

Module coordinator: Subject Representative (Fachvertreter) for Eastern Church History and Ecumenical Theology

Module offered by: Faculty of Catholic Theology

ECTS: 5
Method of grading: Only after succ. compl. of module(s)
Duration: 1 semester
Module level: graduate
Other prerequisites: --

Contents
This module provides students seeking specialisation in missiology and dialogue of religions with deeper insights into advanced topics and current problems in missiology and dialogue of religions than regular courses.

Intended learning outcomes
At the end of the course, students will have become familiar with advanced topics and current problems in missiology and dialogue of religions; they will have developed the ability to reflect upon interreligious and intercultural topics and problems.

Courses
(type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)
V (2) + Ü (2)

Method of assessment
(type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module is creditable for bonus)
a) written examination (approx. 90 minutes) or b) oral examination of one candidate each (approx. 20 minutes) or c) portfolio (3 to 5 assessments, approx. 30 hours total)

Allocation of places
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**Module coordinator**
Dean of Studies Faculty of Catholic Theology

**Module offered by**
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**Duration**
1 semester

**Module level**
Graduate

**Other prerequisites**
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**Contents**
Students will independently research and write on a topic in theological studies or in their two degree subjects which they have selected in consultation with their supervisor.

**Intended learning outcomes**
Students will be expected to demonstrate their ability to research and write on a topic in theological studies or in their two degree subjects, using appropriate scholarly methods, and to complete their work within a given time period.

**Courses**
No courses assigned to module

**Method of assessment**
Master's thesis (approx. 60 pages)

**Allocation of places**
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**Additional information**
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